

**Notice of Allowability**

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claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included  
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☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-9, 11-16, 18-21, 24-26 and 47-49, renumbered as 1-25, respectively.

☒ The drawings filed on 07 July 2000 are accepted by the Examiner.

☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

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**Attachment(s)**

☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

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☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),  
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☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit  
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5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)

6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),  
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment

8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

9. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

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